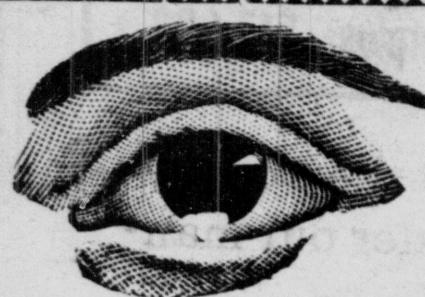


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George Ada's brightest comedy and his most successful one, "The County Chairman," will be the attraction at Ada Opera House, Saturday, Jan. 30, and the announcement of its coming should delight theatre-goers in eager expectation. It is useless to dwell upon the merits of "The County Chairman," for the critics have added, without a dissenting option, bright flowers to the crown of success the piece now so gracefully wears. It is a matter of theatrical history that "The County Chairman" enjoyed long and prosperous runs, in New York, and Oregon, and it has now become a matter of record that it has been pronounced the best of all the Ade creations, although there are some brilliant stars that still mark the firmament and for the rise of which that clever humorist, by the name of Ade, is merrily responsible.

A. H. Lambreth, of Oklahoma City, who bought cotton at Ada this season, is here on a visit, and is receiving a cordial greeting from his many friends.

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GRAND JURY IS GUARDED

Muskogee, Okla., Jan. 25.—Witnesses for the government in the Indian land cases arrived here on every train today and by tomorrow noon 250 are expected in answer to subpoenas issued on persons residing in Texas, Ohio, West Virginia, Tennessee, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Missouri, Virginia and Arkansas. Gov. Haskell, who is made a defendant, arrived here early this morning.

Sixteen indictments have already been drawn against Governor Haskell by the federal officials in connection with the alleged fraudulent scheduling of town lot cases, according to a statement made by one who is in close touch with the situation. This does not necessarily mean that the governor will be indicted as under federal procedure. Indictments are drawn up beforehand by the United States attorney and the jury uses its discretion in taking action. In a statement given out today, Gov. Haskell said:

"The people have nothing to fear from these lot suits if they are given an absolutely just trial."

Secret service men who have been in the city for the last three weeks will present their evidence for the government before the federal grand jury, which convenes here at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning. The government, in its investigation, it is claimed, has unearthed much evidence which will be presented to the grand jury.

A number of indictments have already been drawn by the federal officials in connection with alleged fraudulent scheduling of town lot cases, according to a statement made by one who is in close touch with the situation. This does not necessarily mean that indictment drawn before the grand jury uses its discretion will be returned by that body as true bills.

Every precaution will be used to guard the grand jury. Its sessions will be held in the federal jail and guards will be placed on the outside. It is claimed that there is a secret service man here for each juror. Muskogee is greatly excited over the investigation, it being rumored that half a dozen of the most prominent citizens may feel the effects of the trials.

It is learned tonight that one of the prominent attorneys of Eastern Oklahoma had become so deeply involved in the land suits that for the last week he has threatened to commit suicide. His friends have been watching him day and night. A month ago he was strong and robust; today he is pale and almost a shadow of his former self.

by the three negroes and Deputies William Keys, Thomas Dunn, Frank Miles and L. B. Nichols, and precipitated by the resisting of the negroes to arrest.

Will McGlothlin and Oliver McGlothlin were killed outright, and Jacob McGlothlin, their brother, has wounds from which he can not recover. Deputy Miles received a slight wound in the back and Deputy Dunn a painful incision in the arm.

The negroes, who were cotton pickers and claim Hugo as their home, were charged with assaulting Nathan Nicely, a white boy 18 years old, one day last week. In his complaint Nicely charges that they pulled him from his horse and beat him over the head with a revolver. The officers learned of the whereabouts of the negroes early Sunday morning and went to arrest them.

LEGISLATIVE PROCEEDINGS

Guthrie, Okla., Jan. 25.—An agreement has been reached between Hugo and Antlers, in their applications for the Eastern Oklahoma Insane Asylum, whereby a proposition is being made to the Public Buildings Committee tonight, to suit the two towns, and it is related here both have agreed to abide by the committee's selection. Each had pledged \$1,000 to pay the expenses of the trip; also it is proposed that a private car will be placed at the committee's disposal. The contest between Antlers and Hugo has brought Vinita into the field, according to a bill offered in the house today by Mr. Ratcliff and Mr. Coyne of Craig county, locating the asylum at that point, and guaranteeing to the state, free of cost, 160 acres of land and an abundance of artesian water. This district already has the Whittaker Orphan Home located at Pryor Creek. It is doubtful that the committee will accept any trips in connection with institution locations. Such is the house sentiment, and more particularly where an offer of expense money and extraordinary accommodations are made. If the committee visits one site, it feels, other towns wanting institutions will have the same call.

There are about ten places now offering for two normal schools, and as many more that have not yet appeared. B. F. Lee of Hugo is representing the claims of that town to the Public Buildings Committee tonight. Capt. A. A. Lesureur is appearing for Antlers. A member of the committee's authority for the statement that after tonight public hearings would probably be abandoned, as the merits of the applying towns were already well known.

The senate passed the Sorrels bill, giving mine employees a lien on all property owned by their employers for wages due them. A committee consisting of Senators Franklin, Eggerman, Echois and Roddie was named to investigate the codifying committee's work, and report on alleged irregularities in compiling the new laws. The house passed the Wortman bill defining burglary. The penalty as fixed is from seven to twenty years for burglary in the first degree and from two to seven years for burglary in second degree. The use of explosives or fire arms is deserving of life imprisonment under the new bill.

The present county boundaries of the state will practically be made permanent if the senate concurs in the action of its committee of the whole, which today recommended by a vote of 19 to 14 the passage of the Thomas bill repealing the law passed last year in regard to procedure for county division and the creation of new counties.

The bill was recommended for passage only after a hard fight in which the bill was vigorously opposed by Senators Blair, Franklin, Russell, Davis and Hatchett, while Senator Thomas was assisted in his fight for the bill by Senators Stewart and Johnson.

E. H. Ennis, of Shawnee, is in today representing the M. K. & T., railroad in a suit being tried before County Judge Joel Terrell.

The kind of individual who takes a drink of whiskey to keep him warm nearly always takes another

VALUATION AND TAX LEVIES

List of taxable property and levies of Pontotoc county, Oklahoma, of the various townships, cities and school districts, in the year of 1908. Pontotoc county, \$6,589,241.00, 6 1/4 mills.

Ada city, \$1,768,061.00, 10 mills.

Allen city, \$106,898.00, 5 mills.

Francis city, \$201,299.00, 3 1/2 mills.

Roff city, \$548,779.00, 10 mills.

Stonewall city, \$199,813.00, 5 mills.

Allen township, \$174,625.00, 5 mills.

Chickasaw township, \$1,402,978.00, 5 mills.

Fitzhugh township, \$680,377.00, 5 mills.

Francis township, \$514,065.00, 5 mills.

Maxwell township, \$116,457.00, 5 mills.

Midland township, \$335,163.00, 5 mills.

Stonewall township, \$540,726.00, 5 mills.

School district No. 1, \$149,855.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 2, \$13,848.00, 5 mills.

School district No. 3, \$279,530.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 4, \$84,376.00, 15 mills.

School district No. 5, \$28,965.00, 5 mills.

School district No. 6, \$44,455.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 7, \$18,948.00, 15 mills.

School district No. 8, \$10,719.00, 15 mills.

School district No. 9, \$31,642.00, 7 1/2 mills.

School district No. 10, \$103,051.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 11, \$33,679.00, 7 1/2 mills.

School district No. 12, \$177,405.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 13, \$14,591.00, 15 mills.

School district No. 14, \$11,696.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 15, \$16,803.00, 15 mills.

School district No. 16, \$7,910.00, 5 mills.

School district No. 17, \$53,666.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 18, \$64,496.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 19, \$2,233,133.00, 6 1/2 mills.

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School district No. 51, \$131,809.00, 7 1/2 mills.
School district No. 52, \$112,548.00, 5 mills.
School district No. 53, \$19,932.00, 5 mills.
School district No. 54, \$74,901.10, 10 mills.
School district No. 55, \$17,627.00, 5 mills.
School district No. 56, \$19,157.00, 10 mills.
School district No. 57, \$5,971.00, 5 mills.
School district No. 58, \$11,475.00, 10 mills.
School district No. 59, \$43,084.00, 10 mills.
Joint district No. 1, \$7,874.00, 7 mills.

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The News trusts that the business men will have ready tomorrow their answers to the queries in the circular letter issued to them by the News editor.

The Daily News is of more importance and benefit to Ada than the town is to the paper, and this is a fact the business men would do well to ponder, when concluding what patronage they will extend.

There are indications of business resuming to its normal condition of activity in Ada. Most people have summed up the situation and gotten their bearings for another year, so are again ready for the fray.

Give the dairy cow, the hen and the hog an opportunity to demonstrate what they can do.—Denison Herald.

If given the right kind of chance, the cow, the hen and hog will lift the mortgage, if there is one, educate the children, make their owners a good living and accumulate a bank account.

Warranty Deeds.

Vina Abram, et vir, to Scott W. Lanham, W 1-2 SE NW; E 1-2 SW NW S 28, 4 N 5 E for \$1100.

Rosa Clark et vir to Scott W. Lanham SW NE NE; SE NW NE; NE SE SE S 18, 4 N 5 E for \$1000.

W. C. Duncan to W. L. Byrd, lot 19, block 92, Ada, for \$6000.

M. B. Donaghey to Orville Snead, lots 9 to 16, block 6, Donaghey addition for \$145.

Thirty-Two Killings in One County.

McAlester, Okla., Jan. 25.—At a dance at the home of Jim Bell near Buck, Bob Nichols was shot and killed. Two men are in jail but the officers are unable to learn who fired the fatal shot.

This is the thirty-second killing in Pittsburg county since statehood.

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+ WASHINGTON LETTER.
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Washington, Jan. 25.—Secretary Garfield of the interior department scored heavily in his reply to the Davis resolution when he showed that under treaty stipulation with the Choctaw and Chickasaw Indians and congressional enactments he was powerless to place on the tribal rolls of those nations names of Indians justly entitled to a share of the tribal properties. As the contrary has been held by interested attorneys this is regarded as having a very important bearing on many suits now pending in the courts.

In support of his contention, Secretary Garfield quotes from the act of June 28, 1898, which authorizes the Dawes Commission to "make correct rolls of the citizens by blood, eliminating from the tribal rolls such names as may have been placed thereon by fraud or without authority by law, enrolling only such as may have lawful right thereto and their descendants born since such rolls were made, with such intermarried white persons as may be entitled to Choctaw and Chickasaw citizenship under the treaties and laws of such tribes." The same law also provided that a correct roll be made of the freedmen of those nations, together with their descendants and these provisions Secretary Garfield says were accepted by the department as a new grant of jurisdiction in enrollment matters. Assistant Attorney General Van Daventer of the interior department in interpreting the above mentioned act subsequently held that enrollment must be confined to those names had, prior to the act been placed on the tribal rolls by the tribal authorities and in the following year this idea was brought out more clearly by the act of May 31, 1900, in the following words:

"That said commission shall continue to exercise all authority heretofore conferred on it by law. But it shall not receive, consider, or make any record of any application of any person for enrollment as a member of any tribe in Indian Territory who has not been a recognized citizen thereof, and duly or lawfully enrolled or admitted as such, and its refusal as such applications shall be final when approved by the secretary of interior."

It is stated further in the secretary's rejoinder to Senator Davis that for four years the department acting under the statutes existing at that time did not regard it absolutely necessary for those entitled to enrollment to make application in order to get on the rolls. There was nothing in the law demanding such application, declares the secretary, yet on the other hand instructions were issued by the department requiring persons to make application for enrollment on the ground that such applications must necessarily be the surest method of having the claimants right brought to the attention of the commission.

The Choctaw and Chickasaw agreement of 1902 soon changed all this and made applications mandatory and furthermore limited the time in which they might be made to 90 days after the ratification of the treaty. "Therefore it is practically true," says the secretary, "that applications were in all instances the basis of action which led to enrollment."

Answering the question as to whether or not Indians in many in-

stances have been enrolled as freedmen, Secretary Garfield says:

"I can not give definite answer to this question. Probably persons of mixed Indian and negro blood, some of them more than half Indian, have been enrolled as freedmen. Their presence upon the finally approved roll as freedmen is conclusive as far as the department is concerned. The commission followed the tribal laws and custom when not inconsistent with federal laws. The factors which entered into mistakes, if any, made by the commission to the five civilized tribes and this department are so many and so complicated that I cannot attempt to go into details as to whether any persons who claim the right of enrollment as Indians have been enrolled as freedmen."

Graft clouds are hovering over the Indian agent's office at Lawton as a result of the sale of three Indian allotments immediately adjoining the city of Waurika. It is alleged that J. E. Dyche, Indian agent for the

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Kiowas, Comanches and Apaches, is also implicated. A. L. Walker of Waurika has laid the entire matter before the interior department and proposes to come to Washington in person in order to push his charges. One of the allotments sold for as much as \$7,500 yet Walker claims that only \$4,000 of this sum reached the hands of the seller. The whole transaction was honeycombed with graft declares Walker.

The land in question was only recently sold under rules and regulations prescribed by the interior department. It had been advertised in the usual way but even this prevented irregularities.

The names of the Indians who were the alleged victims of the deal are Silvy Party, Ben Jackson and Thomas Webster.

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No. 111 due 11:10 a. m.

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No. 112 due 4:05 p. m.

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No. 3 due 10:32 a. m.

Eastbound.

No. 2 due 4:07 p. m.

Mrs. M. B. Donaghey returned this morning from a visit to Roff.

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Mrs. J. E. Strief, from Mexico, Mo., is visiting her sister, Mrs. B. E. Timberlake.

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The Ladies Aid of the First Baptist church will meet Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the church. Every member is urged to be present.

Capt. Jack Mills, the versatile newspaper man, is in Ada again, greeting his many friends. He has been to Old Mexico.

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Mrs. Bud Harrison returned to Ahlso Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Ed Gibson left this afternoon for Shawnee, where she will visit relatives for several weeks.

D. C. Crabtree of Blackrock, was in Ada today.

S. M. Shaw is up the Frisco railroad on a business trip, and is expected home tomorrow.

The council adjourned until Monday night, Feb. 1st.

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Manager Jones of the Harris hotel, returned this morning from a business trip to Oklahoma City.

Glass Sand Found.

The News reporter was shown a fine sample of glass sand today, that was taken from a large deposit about ten miles from Ada and three and a half miles from the Frisco.

This glass sand is on leases owned by the Chimney-Hills Mining Company, of Ada, and the deposit is thirty-one feet wide and a mile long.

When the gas is brought in, which is around Ada, glass factories can be established here.

Vags Rounded Up.

Last night Deputy Marshals Charley Brady and Lee West made the rounds of depots and freight cars and other places of concealment for vags and got eleven of them. This morning Chief of Police Culver secured one, making twelve appear before Police Judge Powers.

The dozen were fined \$8.90 each and sentenced to work on the streets to pay their fines, which will require about nine days.

The first work the gang was put at was the crossing at Main and Broadway, where the old wooden gutter was taken up and a new one put in, so as to afford better drainage.

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Mrs. M. G. Meadows, state manager of the Woodmen Circle, has been in Ada several times recently, and yesterday, met with the ladies of that auxiliary.

The state convention of the order meets at Chickasha on March 9th, and it is the desire of Mrs. Meadows to have a class of 1,000 at that time. A special dispensation by the supreme guardian, Emma B. Manchester, of the \$1.00 to local medical examiner, has been granted, and the railroad fare to and from Chickasha will be paid for each member of the class.

Mrs. Meadows left this morning for Weleetka and other places, and on Saturday will be at Centrahoma.

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State of Oklahoma, Pontotoc County, in County Court.

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To the Heirs, Next of Kin, and Creditors of George Underwood, deceased:

You are hereby notified that J. W. Bolen has applied to the County Court of Pontotoc County, State of Oklahoma, for letters of administration on the estate of George Underwood, deceased, to be granted to J. C. Chapman, and that said application will be heard in the Court room of said Court in the City of Ada, in said County, on the 5th day of Feb. 1909, at 1 o'clock p. m., at which time and place any person interested may appear and show cause if any they have why such petition should not be granted.

Witness my hand and the Seal of said Court hereunto affixed this 23rd day of Jan. 1909.

JOEL TERRELL,
County Judge.
259d10t

LOOK FORWARD TO TOMORROW.

Always There Will Be Time Absolutely to Give Up Hope.

There will be another night. You awoke this morning still tired. Your work kept you going so late and your hours for sleep were so few. You were restless besides. You tossed till almost the dawn, and then lost yourself a short hour, and found yourself with a start, and collected your dazed wits. Then the inevitable snapped its whip, and you harnessed yourself and got in the shafts for another day. The day looked long and steep—too long for patience, and too steep for strength; but you strained at the collar, and now you are tugging along at the same old gait. You would change the gait—you would speed up if you could, but you are still tired! Never mind, old thill-horse, there will be another night. Maybe to-morrow you will step lighter, and make more miles on the ancient highway than to-day. You can still hope. They can never scale down hope, nor take it off the free list. Though everything else goes up, hope remains cheap. Do not give up, nor quit, nor fall down exhausted. Listen—there will be another night! You may rest, and to-morrow may be yours to do with as you like.

WENT DELIBERATELY TO DEATH.

Circumstances of Case All Point to Suicide of Elephant.

An Agra (India) correspondent sends a remarkable story concerning what is declared to be the deliberate suicide of an elephant.

The great annual mela or fair at Batesar in the northwest provinces is held on the bank of the Jumna, which is there crossed by a bridge of boats. At the side of the river opposite the fair there is a slope down which the elephants bringing visitors to the bridge slide into the river and swim across. A young elephant, making the trip for the first time, trumpeted angrily when his trappings were stripped from him preparatory to his swim, but seeing other elephants crossing the stream ahead of him he plunged in and followed.

When he reached the opposite bank, however, he swerved around and swam back again. The mahout sought to force him around again, but without result, and when within a yard or two of the bank the elephant, after trumpeting again, plunged down into the river. Just in the nick of time the mahout was rescued by means of a long bamboo, but the elephant was drowned, to all appearance by his own deliberate act.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

(Continued from Yesterday)

The use of the public grazing lands should be regulated in such ways as to improve and conserve their value.

Rights to the surface of the public land should be separated from rights to forests upon it and to minerals beneath it, and these should be subject to separate disposal.

The coal, oil, gas and phosphate rights still remaining with the government should be withdrawn from entry and leased under conditions favorable for economic development.

Minerals.

The accompanying reports show that the consumption of nearly all of our mineral products is increasing more rapidly than our population. Our mineral waste is about one-sixth of our product, or nearly \$1,000,000 for each working day in the year. The loss of structural materials through fire is about another million a day. The loss of life in the mines is appalling. The larger part of these losses of life and property can be avoided.

Our mineral resources are limited in quantity and cannot be increased or reproduced. With the rapidly increasing rate of consumption the supply will be exhausted while yet the nation is in its infancy unless better methods are devised or substitutes are found. Further investigation is urgently needed in order to improve methods and to develop and apply substitutes.

It is of the utmost importance that a bureau of mines be established in accordance with the pending bill to reduce the loss of life in mines and the waste of mineral resources and to investigate the methods and substitutes for prolonging the duration of our mineral supplies. Both the need and the public demand for such a bureau are rapidly becoming more urgent. It should co-operate with the states in supplying data to serve as a basis for state mine regulations. The establishment of this bureau will mean merely the transfer from other bureaus of work which it is agreed should be transferred and slightly enlarged and reorganized for these purposes.

Conclusions.

The joint conference already mentioned adopted two resolutions to which I call your special attention. The first was intended to promote co-operation between the states and the nation upon all of the great questions here discussed. It is as follows:

Resolved. That a joint committee be appointed by the chairman, to consist of six members of state conservation commissions and three members of the national conservation commission, whose duty it shall be to prepare and present to the state and national commissions and through them to the governors and the president a plan for united action by all organizations concerned with the conservation of natural resources. (On motion of Governor Noel of Mississippi the chairman and secretary of the conference were added to and constituted a part of this committee.)

The second resolution of the joint conference to which I refer calls upon the congress to provide the means for such co-operation. The principle of the community of interest among all our people in the great natural resources runs through the report of the national conservation commission and the proceedings of the joint conference. These resources, which form the common basis of our welfare, can be wisely developed, rightly used and prudently conserved only by the common action of all the people, acting through their representatives in state and nation; hence the fundamental necessity for co-operation. Without it we shall accomplish but little, and that little badly. The resolution follows:

We also especially urge on the congress of the United States the high desirability of maintaining a national commission on the conservation of the resources of the country, empowered to co-operate with state commissions to the end that every sovereign commonwealth and every section of the country may attain the high degree of prosperity and the sureness of perpetuity naturally arising in the abundant resources and the vigor, intelligence and patriotism of our people.

In this recommendation I most heartily concur, and I urge that an appropriation of at least \$50,000 be made to cover the expenses of the national conservation commission for necessary rent, assistance and traveling expenses. This is a very small sum. I know of no other way in which the appropriation of so small a sum would result in so large a benefit to the whole nation.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

The White House, Jan. 22, 1909.

INVENTORY OF COUNTRY'S RESOURCES

Commission Tells How They Should Be Conserved.

In forwarding to the president the report of the national conservation commission Gifford Pinchot, chairman of the commission, says the entry of the conservation movement into the field of definite constructive work is accomplished by the authorization of a joint committee on co-operation, to be composed of six members of the state conservation commissions and three members of the national conservation commission, with its chairman and secretary. This committee is to devise ways and means for effective co-operation between all forces working for the conservation of national resources.

Mr. Pinchot takes occasion to recognize the work of the secretary of the commission, Thomas B. Shipp, and the secretaries of the four sections of waters, forests, lands and minerals, Messrs. W. J. McGee, Overton W. Price, George W. Woodruff and J. A. Holmes, respectively, without whose services, together with the government experts, the making of the national in-

ventory would have been impossible. The five secretaries sign the report with him.

The report of the commission is devoted mainly to an inventory of the country's resources in minerals, lands, forests and waters, closing with a section on "national efficiency."

The mineral production of the United States for 1907 exceeded \$2,000,000,000 and contributed 65 per cent of the total freight traffic of the country. The waste in the extraction and treatment of mineral products during the same year was equivalent to more than \$300,000,000. The available and easily accessible supplies of coal in the United States aggregate approximately 1,400,000,000,000 tons. At the present increasing rate of production this supply will be so depleted as to approach exhaustion before the middle of the next century. The high grade iron ores (the only iron ores available for use under existing conditions) cannot be expected to last beyond the middle of the present century. The same is true of the petroleum supply. The supply of stone, clay, cement, lime, sand and salt is ample, while the stock of the precious metals and of copper, lead, zinc, sulphur, asphalt, graphite, quicksilver, mica and the rare metals cannot well be estimated, but is clearly exhaustible within one to three centuries unless unexpected deposits are found.

The consumption of nearly all our mineral products is increasing far more rapidly than our population. A stray gleam of light in the otherwise gloomy mineral situation is seen in the fact that while the production of coal is increasing enormously, the waste and loss in mining are diminishing. There is urgent need of greater safety to the miner. The loss of life through mine accidents is appalling. Stress is laid on the assertion that four-fifths of the country's fire losses, or an average of \$1,000,000 a day, could be prevented if the precautions taken in Europe were adopted here.

Speaking of the nation's cultivable area, the report declares that there has been a slight increase in the average yield of our great staple farm products, but neither the increase in acreage nor the yield per acre has kept pace with our increase in population. Within a century we shall probably have to feed three times as many people as now, and the main bulk of our food supply must be grown on our own soil. We have now nearly 6,000,000 farms, averaging 146 acres each, but only a little more than two-fifths of the area of continental United States is under cultivation. The United States can grow the farm products needed by a population more than three times as great as our country now contains, but we must greatly increase the yield per acre.

The greatest unnecessary waste of our soil is preventable erosion. Second only to this is the waste, nonuse and misuse of fertilizer derived from animals and men. Other great causes of loss are due to injurious mammals, plant diseases and insects. Most of these farm losses are preventable. The present public land laws as a whole do not subserve the best interests of the people. Title to the surface of the remaining nonmineral public lands should be granted only to actual homeowners.

Next to our need of food and water comes our need of timber, declares the report. The preservation by use under the methods of practical forestry of all public forest lands either in state or federal ownership is essential to the permanent public welfare. Effective and immediate co-operation by private enterprise, state ownership and federal ownership is needed if the public interest is to be subserved. By reasonable thrift we can produce a constant timber supply beyond our present need and with it conserve the usefulness of our streams for irrigation, water supply, navigation and power.

Of the 70,000,000,000 cubic feet of water annually flowing into the sea less than 1 per cent is restrained and utilized for municipality and community supply; less than 2 per cent (or some 10 per cent of that in the arid and semiarid regions) is used for irrigation; perhaps 5 per cent is used for navigation and less than 5 per cent for power.

The freshets are attended by destructive soil erosion. The soil matter annually carried into lower rivers and harbors or into the sea is computed at 780,000,000 tons. Soil wash reduces by 10 to 20 per cent the productivity of upland farms and increases channel cutting and bar building in the rivers. The annual loss to the farms alone is \$500,000,000, and large losses follow the fouling of the waters and the diminished navigation of the streams.

Broad plans should be adopted providing for a system of waterway improvement extending to all uses of the waters and benefits to be derived from their control.

Under the heading "National Efficiency" the report says:

"Since the greatest of our national assets is the health and vigor of the American people, our efficiency must depend on national vitality even more than on the resources of the minerals, lands, forests and waters.

"Our annual mortality from tuberculosis is about 150,000. Stopping three-fourths of the loss of life from this cause and from typhoid and other prevalent and preventable diseases would increase our average length of life over fifteen years.

"If we count the value of each life lost at only \$1,700 and reckon the average earning lost by illness as \$700 per year for grown men, we find that the economic gain from mitigation of preventable disease in the United States would exceed \$1,500,000,000 a year. In addition, we would decrease suffering and increase happiness and contentment among the people."

FAMED SINGING BOYS OF JENA. NOT AN UNPARDONABLE ERROR.

Ougrowth of Age of Bacchantes or Wandering Students.

Hundreds of years ago the streets of Jena and other German towns used to echo to the songs of black-robed monks, who went from door to door singing and begging alms. Their example was followed by bands of poor students, known as Bacchantes. These Bacchantes wandered from one university to another in search of better instruction or better means of support. Such a wandering life was favored by the customs of times when people thought it a virtue to give freely to all persons seeking help, but especially to monks and students.

The Bacchantes had with them younger traveling scholars known as skirmishers, who were to receive instruction in return for certain services. The younger skirmisher had to wait upon his Bacchante, beg, and even steal for him, and for the most part he was very tyrannically used. But as he was a waif without other protection he had to make the best of matters.

After the reformation in many places these orphan boys, or waifs, were banded into organized choirs, who received pay from churches, but also were assisted by private subscriptions. It was their duty to sing not only in the churches, but before the houses of their patrons as well. Thus they ceased to be beggars. Martin Luther himself as a boy had been one of these singers, and it was largely due to his influence that the old custom of begging entirely passed away.

There is a famous picture of Luther as a singing boy in Eisenach where his song attracted the attention of the good Frau Cotta, who adopted and educated him.

Nowadays the old custom of the choir boys' singing from house to house is fading away. There are only five other towns besides Jena in the whole German empire where this music can be heard. Once each year the singing boys go to Eisenach and sing before the emperor in the great hall of the historic castle of the Wartburg, where the Minnesingers held their music battles.

There are just 20 of the Jena singing boys, five each of the ages of 11, 12, 13 and 14 years. They are orphans, and the only qualifications for the privilege of four years' board and schooling are good character, ability to sing and obedience to the laws of the organization, one of which requires them to sing before the houses of their patrons.—St. Nicholas Magazine.

Living Pictures.

"Universal laziness, nihilism of ideas, the desire to get everything without trouble, in lands that the gods never traversed, have provoked living pictures. Eclectic gentlemen have observed that the graceful and violent exercise of the dance has measurably developed the legs of women, while it left their busts delicate, and that women in costumes would have a most harmonious beauty if they remained calm. They are calm in the new evolution of the drama. In the noise of a vague music which will eventually be suppressed, spectators seated before a curtain and immovable women behind it look at one another patiently and silently like two flocks of geese. Thalia now is dumb and has quite forgotten her hymn in praise of Bacchus. The end of the evolution will be that people will go to the theater to see nothing at all. I know that it will be absolute perfection; but I do not like perfection."—Henri Pene du Bois.

Tell This to the Marines.

The old sea captain, in brass buttons, sat smoking comfortably by his fireside, when Jack, his sailor son, burst in upon him.

"Weather too rough," explained the son; "we've put in for a day."

"Too rough!" exclaimed Mr. Tar, with visions of his own days on the briny. "Why, sir, I was once sailing around the cape, when a storm came on, and it blew down the mainmast, and the mizzenmast was swept away, but we didn't even think of putting up!"

"Well, you see," explained the son, "this storm was so bad that it blew the anchors off the captain's buttons, took the paint off the ship's bows, and—"

"Stop," cried the old man. "You do me credit, Jack—you do me credit!"

And even the tabby cat blushed over its saucer.

Man's Modesty.

Oscar Hammerstein, being complimented in Philadelphia on the successful opening of his new opera house up town, shook his head modestly.

"Did any one," he said, "ever succeed—really and perfectly succeed—to his own satisfaction? The older I grow the more I sympathize with Gounod."

"As your talent progresses," said Gounod to a young poet, "your estimate of the master poets of the past will change as has my estimate of the master musicians."

"At your age I used to say: 'I.' At 30, I said: 'I and Mozart.' At 40: 'Mozart and I.' I say 'Mozart now.'"

A Cause for Thanks.

When the burglar had bound the artist and put him in a chair he searched his studio.

"I don't see anything worth taking," he said by and by, "but this suit of clothes."

"Thank goodness!" sighed the artist, "it's not paid for."

Military Title Led to Purser's Unfortunate Assignment of Berths.

"As I entered the stateroom assigned to me on one of the coastwise steamers on my last trip south, I was startled to find the lower berth littered with feminine apparel," said a commercial traveler. "I immediately sought out the purser of the boat and told him he must have made some mistake in allotting the rooms, as the persons he had put in mine was undoubtedly a woman, if I might judge by her belongings.

"'Well! well!' he exclaimed, much excited. "There must be some mistake. Let's look at the passenger list."

"Examination of the list showed my name and that of 'Maj. White' as the occupants of the same room. The purser and I went to the stateroom, and there in the doorway stood a mild-eyed young woman. When the purser asked her if that was her room she glanced at him casually and replied that it was.

"'But,' objected the officer, 'I have assigned this room to Maj. White. Have I the pleasure of speaking to his wife?'

"'No, sir,' was the prompt reply; 'I am Maj. White—Maj. White of the Salvation Army.'"

BREAKING BAD NEWS GENTLY.

Matter of Relative Values As Understood in Holstein.

"In the province of Holstein," says a traveler who spends a good deal of his time abroad, "where, of course, nothing is more important than the breeding of superior cattle, the country people are not only very thrifty, but exceedingly fond of their cows, as may be gathered from a characteristic story current there.

"It appears that one farmer was walking sadly down the road one day when the village pastor met him.

"'Why so downcast, friend?' asked the pastor.

"'I have a sad errand, pastor,' replied the farmer. 'Farmer Henrik's cow is dead in my pasture, and I am on my way to tell him.'

"'A hard task, indeed.'

"'You may well say so, pastor; but I shall break it to him gently.'

"'And how will you do that?'

"'Oh, I shall tell him first that it is his father who is dead; and then, having opened the way for sadder news still, I shall tell him that it is not his father, but the cow!'"—Harper's Weekly.

23:15 O'Clock.

A New York manufacturing concern in which only one-half of the employees work in the daytime has a 24-hour clock in the timekeeper's office, by which the work record is noted. The business day begins at one o'clock in the morning, and when other clocks indicate midnight this factory time piece shows that it is 24 o'clock. The men who go in work at the time ordinarily known as six p. m. are recorded as having started at 18 o'clock. The people in charge of the work say that this change in the timekeeping method has prevented many errors, and although it took the men a little while to become accustomed to it they now speak of 14 and 16 o'clock in a matter-of-fact way and without the smile which at first the strange figures provoked.

Relief for Toothache.

If the tooth has a cavity use liquid ammonia. Spray from medicine dropper directly into the cavity. Be very sure and not touch the tender gum. If there is an ulcerated root prepare a poultice of flaxseed meal, mixed with water. But in a small vessel and apply to the gum, covering the swelling. Spread on small pieces of linen no larger than the end of the finger, fold one thickness over the poultice. This will soften the ulceration and cause it to break in a short time. Have a second party prepare the poultice, if possible, as it must be done quickly. Keep hot water bottle outside of bandage.

First Presbyterians Church.

Services every Sunday morning at 11 and evening at 7:30. Rev. W. T. Ahrenbeck, pastor.

Sunday School at 9:45 a. m., J. T. Higgins, superintendent.

Ladies Aid meets first and third

Wednesday evenings at 7:30.

Worship meets every Monday afternoon at 7:30.

First Methodist Church.

Services Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and Sunday evening at 7:30. Rev. W. M. Wilson, pastor.

Sunday School every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, T. F. Pierce, superintendent.

Prayermeeting every Wednesday evening at 7:30. Senior

League meets every Sunday evening at 6:30. Intermediate and Junior

Leagues meet Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Home Mission Society

meets every Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Foreign Mission Society meets every

3rd Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Teachers meeting every Tuesday evening at 7:30.

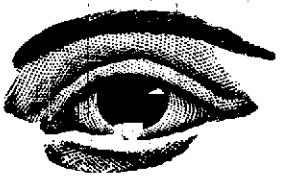
Doll's Dress Regulated by Law.

The dress of Chinese dolls is regulated by law, according to the station of the class it represents and little girls are permitted to play with their dolls as a special reward for good conduct. These dolls are preserved from generation to generation, and are frequently dressed to represent historical characters, thus early initiating the child into Chinese history in a most entertaining way. Most Chinese dolls are boy dolls, probably because women have played a rather unimportant part in the history of that nation.—Bohemian Magazine.

Between Managers.

"I hear you have a spicy show this season."

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A Geo. Ade Play.

George Ada's brightest comedy and his most successful one, "The County Chairman," will be the attraction at Ada Opera House, Saturday, Jan. 30, and the announcement of its coming should delight theatre-goers in eager expectation. It is useless to dwell upon the merits of "The County Chairman," for the critics have added, without a dissenting option, bright flowers to the crown of success the piece now so gracefully wears. It is a master of theatrical history that "The County Chairman" enjoyed long and prosperous runs, in New York, and Chicago, and it has now become a matter of record that it has been pronounced the best of all the Ade comedies, although there are some brilliant stars that still mark the firmament and for the rise of which that clever humorist, by the name of Ade, is merrily responsible.

A. H. Lambrecht, of Oklahoma City, who bought cotton at Ada this season, is here on a visit, and is receiving a cordial greeting from his many friends.

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GRAND JURY IS GUARDED

Muskogee, Okla., Jan. 25.—Witnesses for the government in the Indian land cases arrived here on every train today and by tomorrow noon 250 are expected in answer to subpoenas issued on persons residing in Texas, Ohio, West Virginia, Tennessee, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Missouri, Virginia and Arkansas. Gov. Haskell, who is made a defendant, arrived here early this morning.

Sixteen indictments have already been drawn against Governor Haskell by the federal officials in connection with the alleged fraudulent scheduling of town lot cases, according to a statement made by one who is in close touch with the situation.

This does not necessarily mean that the governor will be indicted as under federal procedure. Indictments are drawn up beforehand by the United States attorney and the U. S. attorney uses its discretion in taking actions.

In a statement given out today, Gov. Haskell said:

"The people have nothing to fear from these lot suits if they are given an absolutely just trial."

Secret service men who have been in the city for the last three weeks will present their evidence for the government before the federal grand jury, which convenes here at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning. The government, in its investigation, it is claimed, has unearthed much evidence which will be presented to the grand jury.

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Every precaution will be used to guard the grand jury. Its sessions will be held in the federal jail and guards will be placed on the outside. It is claimed that there is a secret service man here for each juror. Muskogee is greatly excited over the investigation, it being rumored that half a dozen of the most prominent citizens may feel the effects of the trials.

It is learned tonight that one of the prominent attorneys of Eastern Oklahoma had become so deeply involved in the land suits that for the last week he has threatened to commit suicide. His friends have been watching him day and night. A month ago he was strong and robust, today he is pale and almost a shadow of his former self.

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by the three negroes and Deputies William Keys, Thomas Dunn, Frank Miles and L. B. Nichols, and precipitated by the resisting of the negroes to arrest.

Will McGlothlin and Oliver McGlothlin were killed outright, and Jacob McGlothlin, their brother, has wounds from which he can not recover. Deputy Miles received a slight wound in the back and Deputy Dunn a painful incision in the arm.

The negroes, who were cotton pickers and claim Hugo as their home, were charged with assaulting Nannie Nicely, a white boy 18 years old, one day last week. In his complaint Nicely charges that they pulled him from his horse and beat him over the head with revolver. The officers learned of the whereabouts of the negroes early Sunday morning and went to arrest them.

LEGISLATIVE PROCEEDINGS

Guthrie, Okla., Jan. 25.—An agreement has been reached between Hugo and Antlers, in their applications for the Eastern Oklahoma Insane Asylum, whereby a proposition is being made to the Public Buildings Committee tonight, to suit the two towns, and it is related here both have agreed to abide by the committee's selection.

Each had pledged \$1,000 to pay the expenses of the trip; also it is proposed that a private car will be placed at the committee's disposal. The contest between Antlers and Hugo has brought Vinita into the field, according to a bill offered in the house today by Mr. Ratcliff and Mr. Coyne of Craig county, locating the asylum at that point, and guaranteeing to the state, free of cost, 160 acres of land and an abundance of artesian water. This district already has the Whittaker Orphan Home located at Pryor Creek. It is doubtful that the committee will accept any trips in connection with institution locations. Such is the house sentiment, and more particularly where an offer of expense money and extraordinary accommodations are made. If the committee visits one site, it feels, other towns wanting institutions will have the same call.

There are about ten places now offering for two normal schools, and as many more that have not yet appeared. B. F. Lee of Hugo is representing the claims of that town to the Public Buildings Committee tonight. Capt. A. A. Lesureur is appearing for Antlers. A member of the committee's authority for the statement that after tonight public hearings would probably be abandoned, as the merits of the applying towns were already well known.

The senate passed the Sorrels bill, giving mine employees a lien on all property owned by their employers for wages due them. A committee consisting of Senators Franklin, Eggerman, Echols and Rodde was named to investigate the codifying committee's work, and report on alleged irregularities in compiling the new laws. The house passed the Wortman bill defining burglary. The penalty as fixed is from seven to twenty years for burglary in the first degree and from two to seven years for burglary in second degree. The use of explosives or fire arms is deserving of life imprisonment under the new bill.

The present county boundaries of the state will practically be made permanent if the senate concurs in the action of its committee of the whole, which today recommended by a vote of 19 to 14 the passage of the Thomas bill repealing the law passed last year in regard to procedure for county division and the creation of new counties.

The bill was recommended for passage only after a hard fight in which the bill was vigorously opposed by Senators Blair, Franklin, Russell, Davis and Hatchett, while Senator Thomas was assisted in his fight for the bill by Senators Stewart and Johnson.

E. H. Ennis, of Shawnee, is in Ada today representing the M. K. & T. railroad in a suit being tried before County Judge Joel Terrell.

The kind of individual who takes a drink of whiskey to keep him warm nearly always takes another to keep him from getting cold.

VALUATION AND TAX LEVIES

List of taxable property and levies of Pontotoc county, Oklahoma, of the various townships, cities and school districts, in the year of 1908.

Pontotoc county, \$6,559,241.00, 6 1/4 mills.

Ada city, \$1,788,061.00, 10 mills.

Allen city, \$108,898.00, 5 mills.

Francis city, \$201,299.00, 3 1/2 mills.

Roff city, \$548,779.00, 10 mills.

Stonewall city, \$199,813.00, 5 mills.

Allen township, \$174,625.00, 5 mills.

Chickasaw township, \$1,402,978.00,

5 mills.

Fitzhugh township, \$680,377.00, 5 mills.

Francis township, \$514,065.00, 5 mills.

Maxwell township, \$116,457.00, 5 mills.

Midland township, \$335,163.00, 5 mills.

Stonewall township, \$540,726.00, 5 mills.

School district No. 1, \$149,855.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 2, \$13,848.00, 5 mills.

School district No. 3, \$279,530.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 4, \$84,376.00, 15 mills.

School district No. 5, \$28,965.00, 5 mills.

School district No. 6, \$44,455.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 7, \$18,948.00, 15 mills.

School district No. 8, \$10,719.00, 15 mills.

School district No. 9, \$31,642.00, 7 1/2 mills.

School district No. 10, \$103,051.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 11, \$33,679.00, 7 1/2 mills.

School district No. 12, \$177,405.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 13, \$14,591.00, 15 mills.

School district No. 14, \$31,696.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 15, \$16,803.00, 15 mills.

School district No. 16, \$7,910.00, 5 mills.

School district No. 17, \$53,666.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 18, \$64,496.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 19, \$2,233,133.00, 6 1/2 mills.

School district No. 20, \$49,532.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 21, \$109,202.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 22, \$63,159.00, 5 mills.

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TWO KILLED, ANOTHER MAY DIE

Chandler, Okla., Jan. 25.—Two negroes are dead, a third is mortally wounded and two officers sustain wounds as the result of a pitched battle that took place Sunday morning at 9 o'clock on the farm of Douglas Weston, negro, two miles northwest of Payson, participated in

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There are indications of business resuming to its normal condition of activity in Ada. Most people have summed up the situation and gotten their bearings for another year, so are again ready for the fray.

Give the dairy cow, the hen and the hog an opportunity to demonstrate what they can do.—Denison Herald.

If given the right kind of chance, the cow, the hen and hog will lift the mortgage, if there is one, educate the children, make their owners a good living and accumulate a bank account.

PRESS COMMENT.

Be a booster. The knocker hurts himself and leaves a bad taste in the mouth of every man he comes in contact with.—Denison Herald.

Over in Tennessee a juror in a murderer's case was rejected by the state's attorney for being drunk. It looks like the powers that be are getting more peevish and pickayunish all the time.—Dallas News.

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* WASHINGTON LETTER.

Washington, Jan. 25.—Secretary Garfield of the interior department scored heavily in his reply to the Davis resolution when he showed that under treaty stipulation with the Choctaw and Chickasaw Indians and congressional enactments he was powerless to place on the tribal rolls of those nations names of Indians justly entitled to a share of the tribal properties. As the contrary has been held by interested attorneys this is regarded as having a very important bearing on many suits now pending in the courts.

In support of his contention, Secretary Garfield quotes from the act of June 23, 1898, which authorizes the Dawes Commission to "make correct rolls of the citizens by blood, eliminating from the tribal rolls such names as may have been placed thereon by fraud or without authority by law, enrolling only such as may have lawful right thereto and their descendants born since such rolls were made, with such intermarried white persons as may be entitled to Choctaw and Chickasaw citizenship under the treaties and laws of such tribes." The same law also provided that a correct roll be made of the freedmen of those nations together with their descendants and these provisions Secretary Garfield says were accepted by the department as a new grant of jurisdiction in enrollment matters. Assistant Attorney General Van Dusen of the interior department in interpreting the above mentioned act subsequently held that enrollment must be confined to those names had, prior to the act been placed on the tribal rolls by the tribal authorities and in the following year this idea was brought out more clearly by the act of May 31, 1900, in the following words:

"That said commission shall continue to exercise all authority heretofore conferred on it by law. But it shall not receive, consider, or make any record of any application of any person for enrollment as a member of any tribe in Indian Territory who has not been a recognized citizen thereof, and duly or lawfully enrolled or admitted as such, and its refusal as such applications shall be final when approved by the secretary of interior."

It is stated further in the secretary's rejoinder to Senator Davis that for four years the department acting under the statutes existing at that time did not regard it absolutely necessary for those entitled to enrollment to make application in order to get on the rolls. There was nothing in the law demanding such application, declares the secretary, yet on the other hand instructions were issued by the department requiring persons to make application for enrollment on the ground that such applications must necessarily be the surest method of having the claimants right brought to the attention of the commission.

The Choctaw and Chickasaw agreement of 1902 soon changed all this and made applications mandatory and furthermore limited the time in which they might be made to 90 days after the ratification of the treaty. "Therefore it is practically true," says the secretary, "that applications were in all instances the basis of action which led to enrollment."

Answering the question as to whether or not Indians in many in-

stances have been enrolled as freedmen, Secretary Garfield says:

"I can not give definite answer to this question. Probably persons of mixed Indian and negro blood, some of them more than half Indian, have been enrolled as freedmen. Their presence upon the finally approved roll as freedmen is conclusive as far as the department is concerned. The commission followed the tribal laws and custom when not inconsistent with federal laws. The factors which entered into mistakes, if any, made by the commission to the five civilized tribes and this department are so many and so complicated that I cannot attempt to go into details as to whether any persons who claim the right of enrollment as Indians have been enrolled as freedmen."

Graft clouds are hovering over the Indian agent's office at Lawton as a result of the sale of three Indian allotments immediately adjoining the city of Wanika. It is alleged that J. E. Dyche, Indian agent for the

WHEN A LITTLE HELP IS NEEDED.



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Kiowas, Comanches and Apaches, is also implicated. A. L. Walker of Wanika has laid the entire matter before the interior department and proposes to come to Washington in person in order to push his charges. One of the allotments sold for as much as \$7,500 yet Walker claims that only \$4,000 of this sum reached the hands of the seller. The whole transaction was honeycombed with graft declares Walker.

The land in question was only recently sold under rules and regulations prescribed by the interior department. It had been advertised in the usual way but even this prevented irregularities.

The names of the Indians who were the alleged victims of the deal are Silvy Party, Ben Jackson and Thomas Webster.

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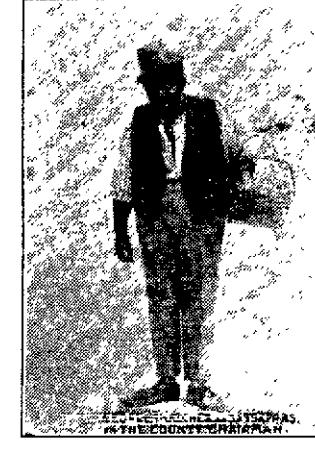
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No. 111 due 11:10 a. m.
Northbound.

No. 112 due 4:05 p. m.

OKLAHOMA CENTRAL.

Westbound.

No. 3 due 10:32 a. m.
Eastbound.

No. 2 due 4:07 p. m.

Mrs M. B. Donaghey returned this morning from a visit to Roff.

Hot water at Ramsey's. 240ft

Mrs J. E. Striet, from Mexico, Mo., is visiting her sister, Mrs. B. E. Timberlake.

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The Ladies Aid of the First Baptist Church will meet Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the church. Every member is urged to be present.

Capt. Jack Mills, the versatile newspaper man, is in Ada again, greeting his many friends. He has been to Old Mexico.

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J. B. GAY, Prop.

H. A. Kroeger of Francis is transacting business in Ada today.

Mrs. W. L. Whitenack of Francis was an Ada visitor today.

Mrs. Bud Harrison returned to Ahoso Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Ed Gibson left this afternoon for Shawnee, where she will visit relatives for several weeks.

D. C. Crabtree of Blackrock, was in Ada today.

S. M. Shaw is up the Frisco railroad on a business trip, and is expected home tomorrow.

County Commissioner C. W. Floyd is ill at his home in the country.

Mrs. Gade Garber, of Minneapolis, Minn., is on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Katz.

The county commissioners designated the First State bank of Stonewall as one of the county depositories.

Miss Corinne Katz returned yesterday evening from a visit at Oklahoma City.

If you have anything to sell let it be known through the News want column. It costs but little and will bring results. One word, first insertion, one cent. Additional insertions a half a cent per word.

Glass Sand Found.

The News reporter was shown a fine sample of glass sand today, that was taken from a large deposit about ten miles from Ada and three and a half miles from the Frisco.

This glass sand is on leases owned by the Chimney-Hills Mining Company, of Ada, and the deposit is thirty-one feet wide and a mile long.

When the gas is brought in, which is around Ada, glass factories can be established here.

Vags Rounded Up.

Last night Deputy Marshals Charley Brady and Lee West made the rounds of depots and freight cars and other places of concealment for vags and got eleven of them. This morning Chief of Police Cuiver secured one, making twelve appear before Police Judge Powers.

The dozen were fined \$8.00 each and sentenced to work on the streets to pay their fines, which will require about nine days.

The first work the gang was put at was the crossing at Main and Broadway, where the old wooden gutter was taken up and a new one put in, so as to afford better drainage.

TRANSFERRING THE SCHOOL PROPERTY

Last night, the city council met in adjourned session with Mayor Harrison presiding, and Aldermen Chapman, Little, Lewis, Crowder and Evans present.

W. C. Duncan and A. M. Croxton, members of the Ada school board, appeared before the council to get its approval of a transfer of the title of the school property from the incorporated town of Ada to the special school district of Ada. The plan of transfer outlined, is for the school board to assume the indebtedness of \$15,000 and get the sinking fund of \$8,000 in consideration of the ten acres on the south side and half block on the north side.

Only five of the ten acres is wanted for school purposes, but it is desired the other five acres be reserved for a park, whether the title remains in the city or is transferred to the school district.

Mayor Harrison appointed Aldermen Sims, Crowder and Little to take the matter up with the school board and arrive at some satisfactory settlement.

Mayor Harrison appointed Aldermen Little, Chapman and Evans as a committee to complete resolution appointing a board of appraisers in paving 12th street and ascertaining the method of apportioning the cost of the same.

City Attorney Holt presented a bill for \$557.00 for extra legal services since July 1st, 1908, which was referred to finance committee.

Afterman Evans was authorized to close a contract with Pete Erwin for a road to Sandy pump station.

The council adjourned until Monday night, Feb. 1st.

This is What You Want.

As my connection with the Oklahoma Baptist Journal compels me to get nearer my office, I will sell my home on 2nd street. I have a five-room building, comfortable and in every way complete, 103 foot front, 140 back, sixty-five peach trees, fine water, good barn. This is a good home. \$1000.00 part cash, balance one, two and three years. Title gild-edge. See me at the News office or at my home.

D. J. AUSTIN.

We still have 96 pounds chops for \$1.20, bran, \$1.20. Another car coming.

ALDRICH & THOMPSON.

Follow in the footsteps of the average man and you'll be surprised to find how small his tracks are.

W. C. CLASS OF 1,000

Mrs. M. G. Meadows, state manager of the Woodmen Circle, has been in Ada several times recently, and yesterday, met with the ladies of that auxiliary.

The state convention of the order meets at Chickasha on March 9th, and it is the desire of Mrs. Meadows to have a class of 1,000 at that time. A special dispensation by the supreme guardian, Ema B. Manchester of the \$1.00 to local medical examiner, has been granted, and the railroad fare to and from Chickasha will be paid for each member of the class.

Mrs. Meadows left this morning for Weleetka and other places, and on Saturday will be at Centrahoma.

O. K.

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Notice of Hearing Petition for Appointment of Administrator.

State of Oklahoma, Pontotoc County, in County Court.

In the matter of the estate of George Underwood, deceased.

To the Heirs, Next of Kin, and Creditors of George Underwood, deceased:

You are hereby notified that J. W. Bolen has applied to the County Court of Pontotoc County, State of Oklahoma, for letters of administration on the estate of George Underwood, deceased, to be granted to J. C. Chapman, and that said application will be heard in the Court room or said Court in the City of Ada, in said County, on the 5th day of Feb. 1909, at 1 o'clock p. m., at which time and place any person interested may appear and show cause if any they have why such petition should not be granted.

Witness my hand and the Seal of said Court hereunto affixed this 23rd day of Jan. 1909.

JOEL TERRELL,
County Judge.
250d10t

LOOK FORWARD TO TOMORROW.

Always There Will Be Time Absolutely to Give Up Hope.

There will be another night. You awoke this morning still tired. Your work kept you going so late and your hours for sleep were so few. You were restless besides. You tossed till almost the dawn, and then lost yourself a short hour, and found yourself with a start, and collected your dazed wits. Then the inevitable snapped its whip, and you harnessed yourself and got in the shafts for another day. The day looked long and steep—too long for patience, and too steep for strength; but you strained at the collar, and now you are tugging along at the same old gait. You would change the gait—you would speed up if you could, but you are still tired! Never mind, old thill-horse, there will be another night. Maybe to-morrow you will step lighter, and make more miles on the ancient highway than to-day. You can still hope. They can never scale down hope, nor take it off the free list. Though everything else goes up, hope remains cheap. Do not give up, nor quit, nor fall down exhausted. Listen—there will be another night! You may rest, and to-morrow may be yours to do with as you like.

WENT DELIBERATELY TO DEATH.

Circumstances of Case All Point to Suicide of Elephant.

An Agra (India) correspondent sends a remarkable story concerning what is declared to be the deliberate suicide of an elephant.

The great annual mela or fair at Batesar in the northwest provinces is held on the bank of the Jumna, which is there crossed by a bridge of boats. At the side of the river opposite the fair there is a slope down which the elephants bringing visitors to the bridge slide into the river and swim across. A young elephant, making the trip for the first time, trumpeted angrily when his trappings were stripped from him preparatory to his swim, but seeing other elephants crossing the stream ahead of him he plunged in and followed.

When he reached the opposite bank, however, he swerved around and swam back again. The mahout sought to force him around again, but without result, and when within a yard or two of the bank the elephant, after trumpeting again, plunged down into the river. Just in the nick of time the mahout was rescued by means of a long bamboo, but the elephant was drowned, to all appearance by his own deliberate act.

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PRIDENT'S MESSAGE.

(Continued from Yesterday.)

The use of the public grazing lands should be regulated in such ways as to improve and conserve their value.

Rights to the surface of the public land should be separated from rights to forests upon it and to minerals beneath it, and these should be subject to separate disposal.

The coal, oil, gas and phosphate rights still remaining with the government should be withdrawn from entry and leased under conditions favorable for economic development.

Minerals.

The accompanying reports show that the consumption of nearly all of our mineral products is increasing more rapidly than our population. Our mineral waste is about one-sixth of our product, or nearly \$1,000,000 for each working day in the year. The loss of structural materials through fire is about another million a day. The loss of life in the mines is appalling. The larger part of these losses of life and property can be avoided.

Our mineral resources are limited in quantity and cannot be increased or reproduced. With the rapidly increasing rate of consumption the supply will be exhausted while yet the nation is in its infancy unless better methods are devised or substitutes are found. Further investigation is urgently needed in order to improve methods and to develop and apply substitutes.

It is of the utmost importance that a bureau of mines be established in accordance with the pending bill to reduce the loss of life in mines and the waste of mineral resources and to investigate the methods and substitutes for prolonging the duration of our mineral supplies. Both the need and the public demand for such a bureau are rapidly becoming more urgent. It should co-operate with the states in supplying data to serve as a basis for state mine regulations. The establishment of this bureau will mean merely the transfer from other bureaus of work which it is agreed should be transferred and slightly enlarged and reorganized for these purposes.

Conclusions.

The joint conference already mentioned adopted two resolutions to which I call your special attention. The first was intended to promote co-operation between the states and the nation upon all of the great questions here discussed. It is as follows:

Resolved. That a joint committee be appointed by the chairman, to consist of six members of state conservation commissions and three members of the national conservation commission, whose duty it shall be to prepare and present to the state and national commissions and through them to the governors and the president a plan for united action by all organizations concerned with the conservation of natural resources. (On motion of Governor Noel of Mississippi the chairman and secretary of the conference were added to and constituted a part of this committee.)

The second resolution of the joint conference to which I refer calls upon the congress to provide the means for such co-operation. The principle of the community of interest among all our people in the great natural resources runs through the report of the national conservation commission and the proceedings of the joint conference. These resources, which form the common basis of our welfare, can be wisely developed, rightly used and prudently conserved only by the common action of all the people, acting through their representatives in state and nation, hence the fundamental necessity for co-operation. Without it we shall accomplish but little, and that little badly. The resolution follows:

We also especially urge on the congress of the United States the high desirability of maintaining a national commission on the conservation of the resources of the country, empowered to co-operate with state commissions to the end that every sovereign commonwealth and every section of the country may attain the high degree of prosperity and the sureness of perpetuity naturally arising in the abundant resources and the vigor, intelligence and patriotism of our people.

In this recommendation, I most heartily concur, and I urge that an appropriation of at least \$50,000 be made to cover the expenses of the national conservation commission for necessary travel, assistance and traveling expenses. This is a very small sum. I know of no other way in which the appropriation of so small a sum would result in so large a benefit to the whole nation.

—THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

The White House, Jan. 22, 1909.

INVENTORY OF COUNTRY'S RESOURCES

Commission Tells How They Should Be Conserved.

In forwarding to the president the report of the national conservation commission Gifford Pinchot, chairman of the commission, says the entry of the conservation movement into the field of definite constructive work is accomplished by the authorization of a joint committee on co-operation, to be composed of six members of the state conservation commissions and three members of the national conservation commission, with its chairman and secretary. This committee is to devise ways and means for effective co-operation between all forces working for the conservation of national resources.

Mr. Pinchot takes occasion to recognize the work of the secretary of the commission, Thomas B. Shipp, and the secretaries of the four sections of waters, forests, lands and minerals, Messrs. W. J. McGee, Overton W. Price, George W. Woodruff and J. A. Holmes, respectively, without whose services, together with the government experts, the making of the national in-

ventory would have been impossible. The five secretaries sign the report with him.

The report of the commission is devoted mainly to an inventory of the country's resources in minerals, lands, forests and waters, closing with a section on "national efficiency."

The mineral production of the United States for 1907 exceeded \$2,000,000,000 and contributed 65 per cent of the total freight traffic of the country. The waste in the extraction and treatment of mineral products during the same year was equivalent to more than \$300,000,000. The available and easily accessible supplies of coal in the United States aggregate approximately 1,400,000,000,000 tons. At the present increasing rate of production this supply will be so depleted as to approach exhaustion before the middle of the next century. The high grade iron ores (the only iron ores available for use under existing conditions) cannot be expected to last beyond the middle of the present century. The same is true of the petroleum supply. The supply of stone, clay, cement, lime, sand and salt is ample, while the stock of the precious metals and of copper, lead, zinc, sulphur, asphalt, graphite, quicksilver, mica and the rare metals cannot well be estimated, but is clearly exhaustible within one to three centuries unless unexpected deposits are found.

The consumption of nearly all our mineral products is increasing far more rapidly than our population. A stray gleam of light in the otherwise gloomy mineral situation is seen in the fact that while the production of coal is increasing enormously, the waste and loss in mining are diminishing. There is urgent need of greater safety to the miner. The loss of life through mine accidents is appalling. Stress is laid on the assertion that four-fifths of the country's fire losses, or an average of \$1,000,000 a day, could be prevented if the precautions taken in Europe were adopted here.

Speaking of the nation's cultivable area, the report declares that there has been a slight increase in the average yield of our great staple farm products, but neither the increase in acreage nor the yield per acre has kept pace with our increase in population. Within a century we shall probably have to feed three times as many people as now, and the main bulk of our food supply must be grown on our own soil. We have now nearly 6,000,000 farms, averaging 146 acres each, but only a little more than two-fifths of the area of continental United States is under cultivation. The United States can grow the farm products needed by a population more than three times as great as our country now contains, but we must greatly increase the yield per acre.

The greatest unnecessary waste of our soil is preventable erosion. Second only to this is the waste, nonuse and misuse of fertilizer derived from animals and men. Other great causes of loss are due to injurious mammals, plant diseases and insects. Most of these farm losses are preventable.

The present public land laws as a whole do not subserve the best interests of the people. Title to the surface of the remaining nonmineral public lands should be granted only to actual homemakers.

Next to our need of food and water comes our need of timber, declares the report. The preservation by use under the methods of practical forestry of all public forest lands either in state or federal ownership is essential to the permanent public welfare. Effective and immediate co-operation by private enterprise, state ownership and federal ownership is needed if the public interest is to be subserved. By reasonable thrift we can produce a constant timber supply beyond our present need and with it conserve the usefulness of our streams for irrigation, water supply, navigation and power.

Of the 70,000,000,000 cubic feet of water annually flowing into the sea less than 1 per cent is restrained and utilized for municipal and community supply; less than 2 per cent (or some 10 per cent of that in the arid and semiarid regions) is used for irrigation; perhaps 5 per cent is used for navigation and less than 5 per cent for power.

The freshets are attended by destructive soil erosion. The soil matter annually carried into lower rivers and harbors or into the sea is computed at 780,000,000 tons. Soil wash reduces by 30 to 20 per cent the productivity of upland farms and increases channel cutting and bar building in the rivers. The annual loss to the farms alone is \$500,000,000, and large losses follow the fouling of the waters and the diminished navigation of the streams.

Broad plans should be adopted providing for a system of waterway improvement extending to all uses of the waters and benefits to be derived from their control.

Under the heading "National Efficiency" the report says:

"Since the greatest of our national assets is the health and vigor of the American people, our efficiency must depend on national vitality even more than on the resources of the minerals, lands, forests and waters."

"Our annual mortality from tuberculosis is about 150,000. Stopping three-fourths of the loss of life from this cause and from typhoid and other prevalent and preventable diseases would increase our average length of life over fifteen years."

"If we count the value of each life lost at only \$1,700 and reckon the average earning lost by illness at \$700 per year for grown men, we find that the economic gain from mitigation of preventable disease in the United States would exceed \$1,500,000,000 a year. In addition, we would decrease suffering and increase happiness and contentment among the people."

FAMED SINGING BOYS OF JENA. NOT AN UNPARDONABLE ERROR.

Ougrowth of Age of Bacchantes or Wandering Students.

Hundreds of years ago the streets of Jena and other German towns used to echo to the songs of black-robed monks, who went from door to door singing and begging alms. Their example was followed by bands of poor students, known as Bacchantes. These Bacchantes wandered from one university to another in search of better instruction or better means of support. Such a wandering life was favored by the customs of times when people thought it a virtue to give freely to all persons seeking help, but especially to monks and students.

The Bacchantes had with them younger traveling scholars known as skirmishers, who were to receive instruction in return for certain services. The younger skirmisher had to wait upon his Bacchante, beg, and even steal for him, and for the most part he was very tyrannically used. But as he was a waif without other protection he had to make the best of matters.

After the reformation in many places these orphan boys, or waifs, were banded into organized choirs, who received pay from churches, but also were assisted by private subscriptions. It was their duty to sing not only in the churches, but before the houses of their patrons as well. Thus they ceased to be beggars. Martin Luther himself as a boy had been one of these singers, and it was largely due to his influence that the old custom of begging entirely passed away. There is a famous picture of Luther as a singing boy in Eisenach where his song attracted the attention of the good Frau Cotta, who adopted and educated him.

Nowadays the old custom of the choir boys' singing from house to house is fading away. There are only five other towns besides Jena in the whole German empire where this music can be heard. Once each year the singing boys go to Eisenach and sing before the emperor in the great hall of the historic castle of the Wartburg, where the Minnesingers held their music battles.

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"Why so downcast, friend?" asked the pastor.

"I have a sad errand, pastor," replied the farmer. "Farmer Henrik's cow is dead in my pasture, and I am on my way to tell him."

"A hard task, indeed."

"You may well say so, pastor: but I shall break it to him gently."

"And how will you do that?"

"Oh, I shall tell him first that it is his father who is dead; and then, having opened the way for sadder news still, I shall tell him that it is not his father, but the cow!"—Harper's Weekly.

Living Pictures.

"Universal laziness, nihilism of ideas, the desire to get everything without trouble, in lands that the gods never traversed, have provoked living pictures. Eclectic gentlemen have observed that the graceful and violent exercise of the dance has measurably developed the legs of women, while it left their busts delicate, and that women in costumes would have a most harmonious beauty if they remained calm. They are calm in the new, evolution of the drama. In the noise of a vague music which will eventually be suppressed, spectators seated before a curtain and immovable women behind it look at one another patiently and silently like two flocks of geese. That is now dumb and has quite forgotten her hymn in praise of Bacchus. The end of the evolution will be that people will go to the theater to see nothing at all. I know that it will be absolute perfection; but I do not like perfection."—Henri Pene du Bois.

Tell This to the Marines.

The old sea captain, in brass buttons, sat smoking comfortably by his fireside, when Jack, his sailor son, burst in upon him.

"Weather too rough," explained the son; "we've put in for a day."

"Too rough!" exclaimed Mr. Tar, with visions of his own days on the briny. "Why, sir, I was once sailing around the cape, when a storm came on, and it blew down the mainmast, and the mizzenmast was swept away, but we didn't even think of putting in!"

"Well, you see," explained the son, "this storm was so bad that it blew the anchors off the captain's buttons, took the paint off the ship's bows, and—"

"Stop," cried the old man. "You do me credit, Jack—you do me credit!"

And even the tabby cat blushed over its saucer.

Man's Modesty.

Oscar Hammerstein, being complimented in Philadelphia on the successful opening of his new opera house up town, shook his head modestly.

"Did any one," he said, "ever succeed—really and perfectly succeed—to his own satisfaction? The older I grow the more I sympathize with Gounod."

"As your talent progresses," said Gounod to a young poet, "your estimate of the master poets of the past will change as has my estimate of the master musicians."

"At your age I used to say: 'I.' At 30, I said: 'I and Mozart.' At 40: 'Mozart and I.' I say 'Mozart' now."

A Cause for Thanks.

When the burglar had bound the artist and put him in a chair he searched his studio.

"I don't see anything worth taking," he said by and by, "but this suit of clothes."

"Thank goodness!" sighed the artist, "it's not paid for."

"Between Managers.

"I hear you have a spicy show this season."

"Yep."

"Being denounced any?"

"Not enough to help business much."

NOT AN UNPARDONABLE ERROR.

Military Title Led to Purser's Unfortunate Assignment of Berths.

"As I entered the stateroom as signed to me on one of the coastwise steamers on my last trip south, I was startled to find the lower berth littered with feminine apparel," said a commercial traveler. "I immediately sought out the purser of the boat and told him he must have made some mistake in allotting the rooms, as the persons he had put in mine was undoubtedly a woman, if I might judge by her belongings.

"Well! well!" he exclaimed, much exulted. "There must be some mistake. Let's look at the passenger list."

"Examination of the list showed my name and that of 'Maj. White' as the occupants of the same room. The purser and I went to the stateroom, and there in the doorway stood a mild-eyed young woman. When the purser asked her if that was her room she glanced at him casually and replied that it was.

"But," objected the officer, "I have assigned this room to Maj. White. Have I the pleasure of speaking to his wife?"

"No, sir," was the prompt reply; "I am Maj. White—Maj. White of the Salvation Army."

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BREAKING BAD NEWS GENTLY.

Matter of Relative Values As Understood in Holstein.

"In the province of Holstein," says a traveler who spends a good deal of his time abroad, "where, of course, nothing is more important than the breeding of superior cattle, the country people are not only very thrifty, but exceedingly fond of their cows, as may be gathered from a characteristic story current there.

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23:15 O'Clock.

A New York manufacturing concern in which only one-half of the employees work in the daytime has a 24-hour clock in the timekeeper's office, by which the work record is noted. The business day begins at one o'clock in the morning, and when other clocks indicate midnight this factory time-piece shows that it is 24 o'clock. The men who go in work at the time ordinarily known as six p. m. are recorded as having started at 18 o'clock. The people in charge of the work say that this change in the timekeeping method has prevented many errors, and although it took the men a little while to become accustomed to it they now speak of 14 and 16 o'clock in a matter-of-fact way and without the smile which at first the strange figures provoked.

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Relief for Toothache.

If the tooth has a cavity use liquid ammonia. Spray from medicine dropper directly into the cavity. Be very sure and not touch the tender gum. If there is an ulcerated root prepare a poultice of flaxseed meal, mixed with water. But in a small vessel and apply to the gum, covering the swelling. Spread on small pieces of linen, no larger than the end of the finger, fold one thickness over the poultice. Renew just as fast as they cool. This will soften the ulceration and cause it to break in a short time. Have a second party prepare the poultice, if possible, as it must be done quickly. Keep hot water bottle outside of bandage.

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One Way to Appear Young.

A wise young woman gives as her reason for having learned the vertical writing: "This form of writing has been used for but a few years in some schools. When I have occasion to write to anybody they are very apt to conclude from my handwriting that I have been out of school but a few years, and accordingly I will be considered a real young woman."

"This does not count for so much at present, for I am only 23 years, but it may count a great deal in getting me a start in the friendship of a man later. I will not of course lie about my age, but I will get a more favorable start!"

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Doll's Dress Regulated by Law.

The dress of Chinese dolls is regulated by law, according to the station of the class it represents and little girls are permitted to play with their dolls as a special reward for good conduct. These dolls are preserved from generation to generation, and are frequently dressed to represent historical characters, thus early initiating the child

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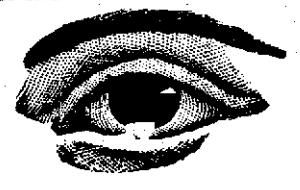
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A Geo. Ade Play.

George Ada's brightest comedy and his most successful one, "The County Chairman," will be the attraction at Ada Opera House, Saturday, Jan. 30, and the announcement of its coming should delight theatre-goers in eager expectation. It is useless to dwell upon the merits of "The County Chairman," for the critics have added, without a dissenting option, bright flowers to the crown of success the piece now so gracefully wears. It is a matter of theatrical history that "The County Chairman" enjoyed long and prosperous runs in New York, and Boston, and it has now become a matter of record that it has been pronounced the best of all the Ade creations, although there are some brilliant stars that still mark the firmament and for the rise of which that clever humorist, by the name of Ade, is merrily responsible.

A. H. Lambreth, of Oklahoma City, who bought cotton at Ada this season, is here on a visit, and is receiving a cordial greeting from his many friends.

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GRAND JURY IS GUARDED

Muskogee, Okla., Jan. 25.—Witnesses for the government in the Indian land cases arrived here on every train today and by tomorrow noon 250 are expected in answer to subpoenas issued on persons residing in Texas, Ohio, West Virginia, Tennessee, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Missouri, Virginia and Arkansas. Gov. Haskell, who is made a defendant, arrived here early this morning.

Sixteen indictments have already been drawn against Governor Haskell by the federal officials in connection with the alleged fraudulent scheduling of town lot cases, according to a statement made by one who is in close touch with the situation.

This does not necessarily mean that the governor will be indicted as under federal procedure, indictments are drawn up beforehand by the United States attorney and they use its discretion in taking action.

In a statement given out today, Gov. Haskell said:

"The people have nothing to fear from these lot suits if they are given an absolutely just trial."

Secret service men who have been in the city for the last three weeks will present their evidence for the government before the federal grand jury, which convenes here at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning. The government, in its investigation, it is claimed, has unearthed much evidence which will be presented to the grand jury.

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Every precaution will be used to guard the grand jury. Its sessions will be held in the federal jail and guards will be placed on the outside. It is claimed that there is a secret service man here for each juror. Muskogee is greatly excited over the investigation, it being rumored that half a dozen of the most prominent citizens may feel the effects of the trials.

It is learned tonight that one of the prominent attorneys of Eastern Oklahoma had become so deeply involved in the land suits that for the last week he has threatened to commit suicide. His friends have been watching him day and night. A month ago he was strong and robust; today he is pale and almost a shadow of his former self.

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Washington, Jan. 25.—Secretary Garfield told one of his callers today that when the full exposure of the land frauds, especially the town-lot frauds, in the Creek nation is made it will startle the entire country. Just when the exposure will be made Secretary Garfield did not say. M. L. Mott, tribal attorney for the Creeks, was in Washington about ten days, and it is supposed that the secretary's statement was prompted by what he learned from Mr. Mott.

It is understood that several thousand suits to recover property are to be prosecuted.

TWO KILLED, ANOTHER MAY DIE

Chandler, Okla., Jan. 25.—Two negroes are dead, a third is mortally wounded, and two officers sustain wounds as the result of a pitched battle that took place Sunday morning at 9 o'clock on the farm of Douglas Weston, negro, two miles northwest of Payson, participated in

by the three negroes and Deputies William Keys, Thomas Dunn, Frank Miles and L. B. Nichols, and precipitated by the resisting of the negroes to arrest.

Will McGlothlin and Oliver McGlothlin were killed outright, and Jacob McGlothlin, their brother, has wounds from which he can not recover. Deputy Miles received a slight wound in the back and Deputy Dunn a painful incision in the arm.

The negroes, who were cotton pickers and claim Hugo as their home, were charged with assaulting Nathan Nicely, a white boy 18 years old, one day last week. In his complaint Nicely charges that they pulled him from his horse and beat him over the head with a revolver. The officers learned of the whereabouts of the negroes early Sunday morning and went to arrest them.

LEGISLATIVE PROCEEDINGS

Guthrie, Okla., Jan. 25.—An agreement has been reached between Hugo and Antlers, in their applications for the Eastern Oklahoma Insane Asylum, whereby a proposition is being made to the Public Buildings Committee tonight, to split the two towns, and it is learned here both have agreed to abide by the committee's selection.

Each had pledged \$1,000 to pay the expenses of the trip; also it is proposed that a private car will be placed at the committee's disposal. The contest between Antlers and Hugo has brought Vinita into the field, according to a bill offered in the house today by Mr. Ratcliff and Mr. Coyne of Craig county, locating the asylum at that point, and guaranteeing to the state, free of cost, 160 acres of land and an abundance of artesian water. This district already has the Whittaker Orphan Home located at Pryor Creek. It is doubtful that the committee will accept any trips in connection with institution locations. Such is the house sentiment, and more particularly where an offer of expense money and extraordinary accommodations are made. If the committee visits one site, it feels, other towns wanting institutions will have the same call.

There are about ten places now offering for two normal schools, and as many more that have not yet appeared. B. F. Lee of Hugo is representing the claims of that town to the Public Buildings Committee tonight. Capt. A. A. Lescure is appearing for Antlers. A member of the committee is authority for the statement that after tonight public hearings would probably be abandoned, as the merits of the applying towns were already well known.

The Senate passed the Sorrels bill, giving mine employees a lien on all property owned by their employers for wages due them. A committee consisting of Senators Franklin, Eggerman, Echoes and Riddle was named to investigate the codifying committee's work, and report on alleged irregularities in compiling the new laws. The house passed the Wortman bill defining burglary. The penalty as fixed is from seven to twenty years for burglary in the first degree and from two to seven years for burglary in second degree. The use of explosives or fire arms is deserving of life imprisonment under the new bill.

The present county boundaries of the state will practically be made permanent if the Senate concurs in the action of its committee of the whole, which today recommended by a vote of 19 to 14 the passage of the Thomas bill repealing the law passed last year in regard to procedure for county division and the creation of new counties.

The bill was recommended for passage only after a hard fight in which the bill was vigorously opposed by Senators Blair, Franklin, Russell, Davis and Hatchett, while Senator Thomas was assisted in his fight for the bill by Senators Stewart and Johnson.

E. H. Ennis, of Shawnee, is in Ada today representing the M. K. & T., railroad in a suit being tried before County Judge Joel Terrell.

The kind of individual who takes a drink of whiskey to keep him warm nearly always takes another to keep him from getting cold.

VALUATION AND TAX LEVIES

List of taxable property and levies of Pontotoc county, Oklahoma, of the various townships, cities and school districts, in the year of 1908.

Pontotoc county, \$6,589,241.00, 6 1/4 mills.

Ada city, \$1,768,061.00, 10 mills.

Allen city, \$106,898.00, 5 mills.

Francis city, \$201,299.00, 3 1/2 mills.

Roff city, \$548,778.00, 10 mills.

Stonewall city, \$199,813.00, 5 mills.

Allen township, \$174,625.00, 5 mills.

Chickasaw township, \$1,402,978.00,

5 mills.

Fitzhugh township, \$680,377.00, 5 mills.

Francis township, \$514,065.00, 5 mills.

Maxwell township, \$116,457.00, 5 mills.

Midland township, \$335,163.00, 5 mills.

Stonewall township, \$540,726.00, 5 mills.

School district No. 1, \$149,855.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 2, \$13,848.00, 5 mills.

School district No. 3, \$279,530.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 4, \$84,376.00, 15 mills.

School district No. 5, \$28,965.00, 5 mills.

School district No. 6, \$44,455.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 7, \$18,948.00, 15 mills.

School district No. 8, \$10,719.00, 15 mills.

School district No. 9, \$31,842.00, 7 1/2 mills.

School district No. 10, \$103,051.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 11, \$33,679.00, 7 1/2 mills.

School district No. 12, \$177,405.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 13, \$14,591.00, 15 mills.

School district No. 14, \$11,696.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 15, \$16,803.00, 15 mills.

School district No. 16, \$7,910.00, 5 mills.

School district No. 17, \$53,866.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 18, \$64,496.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 19, \$2,223,133.00, 6 1/2 mills.

School district No. 20, \$49,882.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 21, \$109,202.00, 10 mills.

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School district No. 35, \$23,619.00, 7 1/2 mills.

School district No. 36, \$34,758.00, 5 mills.

School district No. 37, \$863,280.00, 5 mills.

School district No. 38, \$48,377.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 39, \$21,787.00, 5 mills.

School district No. 40, \$49,101.00, 15 mills.

School district No. 41, new district.

School district No. 42, \$31,013.00, 5 mills.

School district No. 43, \$27,415.00, 10 mills.

School district No. 44, \$62,527.00, 5 mills.

School district No. 45, \$10,843.00, 5 mills.

School district No. 46, \$22,501.00, 10 mills.

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The Daily News is of more importance and benefit to Ada than the town is to the paper, and this is a fact the business men would do well to ponder, when considering what patronage they will extend.

There are indications of business returning to its normal condition of activity in Ada. Most people have summed up the situation and gotten their bearings for another year, so are again ready for the fray.

Give the dairy cow, the hen and the hog an opportunity to demonstrate what they can do.—Denison Herald.

If given the right kind of chance, the cow, the hen and hog will lift the mortgage, if there is one, educate the children, make their owners a good living and accumulate a bank account.

PRESS COMMENT.*****

Be a booster. The knocker hurts himself and leaves a bad taste in the mouth of every man he comes in contact with.—Denison Herald

Over in Tennessee a juror in a ~~murder~~ case was rejected by the state's attorney for being drunk. It looks like the powers that be are getting more peevish and pickayunish all the time.—Dallas News.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.*****

Washington, Jan. 25.—Secretary Garfield of the interior department scored heavily in his reply to the Davis resolution regarding when he showed that under treaty stipulation with the Choctaw and Chickasaw Indians and congressional enactments he was powerless to place on the tribal rolls of those nations names of Indians justly entitled to a share of the tribal properties. As the contrary has been held by interested attorneys this is regarded as having a very important bearing on many suits now pending in the courts.

In support of his contention, Secretary Garfield quotes from the act of June 28, 1898, which authorizes the Dawes Commission to "make correct rolls of the citizens by blood, eliminating from the tribal rolls such names as may have been placed thereon by fraud or without authority by law, enrolling only such as may have lawful right thereto and their descendants born since such rolls were made, with such intermarried white persons as may be entitled to Choctaw and Chickasaw citizenship under the treaties and laws of such tribes." The same law also provided that a correct roll be made of the freedmen of those nations together with their descendants and these provisions Secretary Garfield says were accepted by the department as a new grant of jurisdiction in enrollment matters. Assistant Attorney General Van Duyver of the interior department in interpreting the above mentioned act subsequently held that enrollment must be confined to those names had, prior to the act been placed on the tribal rolls by the tribal authorities and in the following year this idea was brought out more clearly by the act of May 31, 1900, in the following words:

"That said commission shall continue to exercise all authority heretofore conferred on it by law. But it shall not receive, consider, or make any record of any application of any person for enrollment as a member of any tribe in Indian Territory who has not been a recognized citizen thereof, and duly or lawfully enrolled or admitted as such, and its refusal as such applications shall be final when approved by the secretary of interior."

It is stated further in the secretary's rejoinder to Senator Davis that for four years the department acting under the statutes existing at that time did not regard it absolutely necessary for those entitled to enrollment to make application in order to get on the rolls. There was nothing in the law demanding such application, declares the secretary, yet on the other hand instructions were issued by the department requiring persons to make application for enrollment on the ground that such applications must necessarily be the surest method of having the claimants' right brought to the attention of the commission.

The Choctaw and Chickasaw agreement of 1902 soon changed all this and made applications mandatory and furthermore limited the time in which they might be made to 90 days after the ratification of the treaty.

"Therefore it is practically true," says the secretary, "that applications were in all instances the basis of action which led to enrollment."

Answering the question as to whether or not Indians in many instances

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Northbound.

No. 112 due 4:05 p. m.

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Westbound.

No. 3 due 10:32 a. m.

Eastbound.

No. 2 due 4:07 p. m.

Mrs M. B. Donaghey returned this morning from a visit to Roff.

Hot water at Ramsey's. 240ft

Mrs J. E. Strief, from Mexico, Mo., is visiting her sister, Mrs. B. E. Timberlake.

Hot chocolate at Ramsey's. 240ft

The Ladies Aid of the First Baptist church will meet Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the church. Every member is urged to be present.

Capt. Jack Mills, the versatile newspaper man, is in Ada again, greeting his many friends. He has been to Old Mexico.

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J. B. GAY, Prop.

H. A. Kroeger of Francis is transacting business in Ada today.

Mrs. W. L. Whitenack of Francis was an Ada visitor today.

Mrs. Bud Harrison returned to Ahlso Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Ed Gibson left this afternoon for Shawnee, where she will visit relatives for several weeks.

D. C. Crabtree of Blackrock, was in Ada today.

S. M. Shaw is up the Frisco railroad on a business trip, and is expected home tomorrow.

County Commissioner C. W. Floyd is ill at his home in the country.

Mrs. Gade Garber, of Minneapolis, Minn., is on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Katz.

The county commissioners designated the First State bank of Stonewall as one of the county depositories.

Miss Corinne Katz returned yesterday evening from a visit at Oklahoma City.

If you have anything to sell let it be known through the News want column. It costs but little and will bring results. One word, first insertion, one cent. Additional insertions a half a cent per word.

D. J. AUSTIN.

We still have 98 pounds chops for \$1.30, bran, \$1.20. Another car coming.

Manager Jones of the Harris hotel, returned this morning from a business trip to Oklahoma City.

Glass Sand Found.

The News reporter was shown a fine sample of glass sand today, that was taken from a large deposit about ten miles from Ada and three and a half miles from the Frisco.

This glass sand is on leases owned by the Chimney-Hills Mining Company, of Ada, and the deposit is thirty-one feet wide and a mile long.

When the gas is brought in, which is around Ada, glass factories can be established here.

Vags Rounded Up.

Last night Deputy Marshals Charley Brady and Lee West made the rounds of depots and freight cars and other places of concealment for vags and got eleven of them. This morning Chief of Police Culver secured one, making twelve appear before Police Judge Powers.

The dozen were fined \$8.90 each and sentenced to work on the streets to pay their fines, which will require about nine days.

The first work the gang was put at was the crossing at Main and Broadway, where the old wooden gutter was taken up and a new one put in, so as to afford better drainage.

TRANSFERRING THE SCHOOL PROPERTY

Last night, the city council met in adjourned session with Mayor Harrison presiding, and Aldermen Chapman, Little, Lewis, Crowder and Evans present.

W. C. Duncan and A. M. Croxton, members of the Ada school board, appeared before the council to get its approval of a transfer of the title of the school property from the incorporated town of Ada to the special school district of Ada. The plan of transfer outlined, is for the school board to assume the indebtedness of \$15,000 and get the sinking fund of \$3,000, in consideration of the ten acres on the south side and half block on the north side.

Only five of the ten acres is wanted for school purposes, but it is desired the other five acres be reserved for a park, whether the title remains in the city or is transferred to the school district.

Mayor Harrison appointed Aldermen Sims, Crowder and Little to take the matter up with the school board and arrive at some satisfactory settlement.

Mayor Harrison appointed Aldermen Little, Chapman and Evans as a committee to complete resolution appointing a board of appraisers in paying 12th street and ascertaining the method of apportioning the cost of the same.

City Attorney Holt presented a bill for \$537.99 for extra legal services since July 1st, 1908, which was referred to finance committee.

Afterman Evans was authorized to close a contract with Pete Erwin for a road to Sandy pump station.

The council adjourned until Monday night. Feb. 1st.

This is What You Want.

As my connection with the Oklahoma Baptist Journal compels me to get nearer my office, I will sell my home on 2nd street. I have a five-room building, comfortable and in every way complete, 103 foot front, 140 back, sixty-five peach trees, fine water, good barn. This is a good home. \$1000.00 part cash, balance one, two and three years. Title gilt-edge. See me at the News office or at my home.

D. J. AUSTIN.

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There are many people who suffer from Backache, Rheumatism, Lumbago and similar ailments who are not aware these are symptoms of kidney trouble. Pinules for the kidneys act as a tonic and regulator to kidneys and bladder and purify the blood. Thirty day's trial \$1.00. Sold by Gwin-Mays & Co. 34-w-3 mo.

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We, the undersigned, subscribe the amount set opposite our names in support of the State Normal fund, none of which shall be expended except within the discretion and at the instance of the State Normal committee selected by the citizens and 25,000 Club, composed of E. H. Lucas, W. L. Reed, Tom Hope, J. W. Hays, W. C. Duncan, W. H. Ebey and Otis Weaver.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Statement of City Clerk, Ada, Oklahoma, showing warrants issued, paid and outstanding for the period beginning July 1, 1908, and ending January 1, 1909.

	Outstanding July 1, 1908. Issued.	Outstanding Paid, Jan. 1, 1909.
General fund	\$ 10,292.62	\$ 526.35
Street fund	1,375.69	18.10
Water fund	2,954.75	1,357.59
Issued	5,770.82	1,203.98
Cemetery fund	94.10	7,521.59
Issued	313.10	53.36
Street sprinkling fund	88.75	1,127.81
Issued	179.95	182.20
Sinking fund	97.25	36.50
Issued		

The use of the public grazing lands should be regulated in such ways as to improve and conserve their value.

Rights to the surface of the public land should be separated from rights to forests upon it and to minerals beneath it, and these should be subject to separate disposal.

The coal, oil, gas and phosphate rights still remaining with the government should be withdrawn from entry and leased under conditions favorable for economic development.

Minerals.

The accompanying reports show that the consumption of nearly all of our mineral products is increasing more rapidly than our population. Our mineral waste is about one-sixth of our product, or nearly \$1,000,000 for each working day in the year. The loss of structural materials through fire is about another million a day. The loss of life in the mines is appalling. The larger part of these losses of life and property can be avoided.

Our mineral resources are limited in quantity and cannot be increased or reproduced. With the rapidly increasing rate of consumption the supply will be exhausted while yet the nation is in its infancy unless better methods are devised or substitutes are found. Further investigation is urgently needed in order to improve methods and to develop and apply substitutes.

It is of the utmost importance that a bureau of mines be established in accordance with the pending bill to reduce the loss of life in mines and the waste of mineral resources and to investigate the methods and substitutes for prolonging the duration of our mineral supplies. Both the need and the public demand for such a bureau are rapidly becoming more urgent. It should co-operate with the states in supplying data to serve as a basis for state mine regulations. The establishment of this bureau will mean merely the transfer from other bureaus of work which it is agreed should be transferred and slightly enlarged and reorganized for these purposes.

Conclusions.

The joint conference already mentioned adopted two resolutions to which I call your special attention. The first was intended to promote co-operation between the states and the nation upon all of the great questions here discussed. It is as follows:

Resolved. That a joint committee be appointed by the chairman, to consist of six members of state conservation commissions and three members of the national conservation commission, whose duty it shall be to prepare and present to the state and national commissions and through them to the governors and the president a plan for united action by all organizations concerned with the conservation of natural resources. (On motion of Governor Noel of Mississippi the chairman and secretary of the conference were added to and constituted a part of this committee.)

The second resolution of the joint conference to which I refer calls upon the congress to provide the means for such co-operation. The principle of the community of interest among all our people in the great natural resources runs through the report of the national conservation commission and the proceedings of the joint conference. These resources, which form the common basis of our welfare, can be wisely developed, rightly used and prudently conserved only by the common action of all the people, acting through their representatives in state and nation, hence the fundamental necessity for co-operation. Without it we shall accomplish but little, and that little badly. The resolution follows:

We also especially urge on the congress of the United States the high desirability of maintaining a national commission on the conservation of the resources of the country, empowered to co-operate with state commissions to the end that every portion of the country may attain the high degree of prosperity and the sureness of perpetuity naturally arising in the abundant resources and the vigor, intelligence and patriotism of our people.

In this recommendation I most heartily concur, and I urge that an appropriation of at least \$50,000 be made to cover the expenses of the national conservation commission for necessary rent, assistance and traveling expenses. This is a very small sum. I know of no other way in which the appropriation of so small a sum would result in so large a benefit to the whole nation.

—THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

The White House, Jan. 22, 1908.

INVENTORY OF COUNTRY'S RESOURCES

Commission Tells How They Should Be Conserved.

In forwarding to the president the report of the national conservation commission Gifford Pinchot, chairman of the commission, says the entry of the conservation movement into the field of definite constructive work is accomplished by the authorization of a joint committee on co-operation, to be composed of six members of the state conservation commissions and three members of the national conservation commission, with its chairman and secretary. This committee is to devise ways and means for effective co-operation between all forces working for the conservation of national resources.

Mr. Pinchot takes occasion to recognize the work of the secretary of the commission, Thomas B. Shipp, and the secretaries of the four sections of waters, forests, lands and minerals, Messrs. W. J. McGee, Overton W. Price, George W. Woodruff and J. A. Holmes, respectively, without whose services, together with the government experts, the making of the national in-

ventory would have been impossible. The five secretaries sign the report with him.

The report of the commission is devoted mainly to an inventory of the country's resources in minerals, lands, forests and waters, closing with a section on "national efficiency."

The mineral production of the United States for 1907 exceeded \$2,000,000,000 and contributed 65 per cent of the total freight traffic of the country. The waste in the extraction and treatment of mineral products during the same year was equivalent to more than \$300,000,000. The available and easily accessible supplies of coal in the United States aggregate approximately 1,400,000,000 tons. At the present increasing rate of production this supply will be so depleted as to approach exhaustion before the middle of the next century. The high grade iron ores (the only iron ores available for use under existing conditions) cannot be expected to last beyond the middle of the present century. The same is true of the petroleum supply. The supply of stone, clay, cement, lime, sand and salt is ample, while the stock of the precious metals and of copper, lead, zinc, sulphur, asphalt, graphite, quicksilver, mica and the rare metals cannot well be estimated, but is clearly exhaustible within one to three centuries unless unexpected deposits are found.

The consumption of nearly all our mineral products is increasing far more rapidly than our population. A stray gleam of light in the otherwise gloomy mineral situation is seen in the fact that while the production of coal is increasing enormously, the waste and loss in mining are diminishing. There is urgent need of greater safety to the miner. The loss of life through mine accidents is appalling. Stress is laid on the assertion that four-fifths of the country's fire losses, or an average of \$1,000,000 a day, could be prevented if the precautions taken in Europe were adopted here.

Speaking of the nation's cultivable area, the report declares that there has been a slight increase in the average yield of our great staple farm products, but neither the increase in acreage nor the yield per acre has kept pace with our increase in population. Within a century we shall probably have to feed three times as many people as now, and the main bulk of our food supply must be grown on our own soil. We have now nearly 6,000,000 farms, averaging 140 acres each, but only a little more than two-fifths of the area of continental United States is under cultivation. The United States can grow the farm products needed by a population more than three times as great as our country now contains, but we must greatly increase the yield per acre.

The greatest unnecessary waste of our soil is preventable erosion. Second only to this is the waste, nonuse and misuse of fertilizer derived from animals and men. Other great causes of loss are due to injurious mammals, plant diseases and insects. Most of these farm losses are preventable.

The present public land laws as a whole do not subserve the best interests of the people. Title to the surface of the remaining nonmineral public lands should be granted only to actual homesteads.

Next to our need of food and water comes our need of timber, declares the report. The preservation in use under the methods of practical forestry of all public forest lands either in state or federal ownership is essential to the permanent public welfare. Effective and immediate co-operation by private enterprise, state ownership and federal ownership is needed if the public interest is to be subserved. By reasonable thrift we can produce a constant timber supply beyond our present need and with it conserve the usefulness of our streams for irrigation, water supply, navigation and power.

Of the 70,000,000,000 cubic feet of water annually flowing into the sea less than 1 per cent is restrained and utilized for municipality and community supply; less than 2 per cent (or some 10 per cent of that in the arid and semiarid regions) is used for irrigation; perhaps 5 per cent is used for navigation and less than 5 per cent for power.

The freshets are attended by destructive soil erosion. The soil matter annually carried into lower rivers and harbors or into the sea is computed at 780,000,000 tons. Soil wash reduces by 10 to 20 per cent the productivity of upland farms and increases channel cutting and bar building in the rivers. The annual loss to the farms alone is \$500,000,000, and large losses follow the fouling of the waters and the diminished navigation of the streams.

Broad plans should be adopted providing for a system of waterway improvement extending to all uses of the waters and benefits to be derived from their control.

Under the heading "National Efficiency" the report says:

"Since the greatest of our national assets is the health and vigor of the American people, our efficiency must depend on national vitality even more than on the resources of the minerals, lands, forests and waters."

"Our annual mortality from tuberculosis is about 150,000. Stopping three-fourths of the loss of life from this cause and from typhoid and other prevalent and preventable diseases would increase our average length of life over fifteen years.

"If we count the value of each life lost at only \$1,700 and reckon the average earnings lost by illness as \$700 per year for grown men, we find that the economic gain from mitigation of preventable disease in the United States would exceed \$1,500,000,000 a year. In addition, we would decrease suffering and increase happiness and contentment among the people."

FAMED SINGING BOYS OF JENA.

Ougrowth of Age of Bacchantes or Wandering Students.

Hundreds of years ago the streets of Jena and other German towns used to echo to the songs of black-robed monks, who went from door to door singing and begging alms. Their example was followed by bands of poor students, known as Bacchantes. These Bacchantes wandered from one university to another in search of better instruction or better means of support. Such a wandering life was favored by the customs of times when people thought it a virtue to give freely to all persons seeking help, but especially to monks and students.

The Bacchantes had with them younger travelling scholars known as skirmishers, who were to receive instruction in return for certain services. The younger skirmisher had to wait upon his Bacchante, beg, and even steal for him, and for the most part he was very tyrannically used. But as he was a waif without other protection he had to make the best of matters.

After the reformation in many places these orphan boys, or waifs, were banded into organized choirs, who received pay from churches, but also were assisted by private subscriptions. It was their duty to sing not only in the churches, but before the houses of their patrons as well. Thus they ceased to be beggars. Martin Luther himself as a boy had been one of these singers, and it was largely due to his influence that the old custom of begging entirely passed away. There is a famous picture of Luther as a singing boy in Eisenach where his song attracted the attention of the good Frau Cotta, who adopted and educated him.

Nowadays the old custom of the choir boys' singing from house to house is fading away. There are only five other towns besides Jena in the whole German empire where this music can be heard. Once each year the singing boys go to Eisenach and sing before the emperor in the great hall of the historic castle of the Wartburg, where the Minnesingers held their musical battles.

There are just 20 of the Jena singing boys, five each of the ages of 11, 12, 13 and 14 years. They are orphans, and the only qualifications for the privilege of four years' board and schooling are good character, ability to sing and obedience to the laws of the organization, one of which requires them to sing before the houses of their patrons.—St. Nicholas Magazine.

Living Pictures.

"Universal laziness, nihilism of ideas, the desire to get everything without trouble, in lands that the gods never traversed, have provoked living pictures. Eclectic gentlemen have observed that the graceful and violent exercise of the dance has measurably developed the legs of women, while it left their busts delicate, and that women in costumes would have a most harmonious beauty if they remained calm. They are calm in the new evolution of the drama. In the noise of a vague music which will eventually be suppressed, spectators seated before a curtain and immovable women behind it look at one another patiently and silently like two flocks of geese. That is now dumb and has quite forgotten her hymn in praise of Bacchus. The end of the evolution will be that people will go to the theater to see nothing at all. I know that it will be absolute perfection; but I do not like perfection."—Henri Pene du Bois.

Tell This to the Marines.

The old sea captain, in brass buttons, sat smoking comfortably by his fireside, when Jack, his sailor son, burst in upon him.

"Weather too rough," explained the son; "we've put in for a day."

"Too rough!" exclaimed Mr. Tar, with visions of his own days on the briny. "Why, sir, I was once sailing around the cape, when a storm came on, and it blew down the mainmast, and the mizzenmast was swept away, but we didn't even think of putting in!"

"Well, you see," explained the son, "this storm was so bad that it blew away all the anchors of the captain's buttons, took the paint off the ship's bows, and—"

"Stop," cried the old man. "You do me credit, Jack—you do me credit!"

And even the tubby cat blushed over its saucer.

Man's Modesty.

Oscar Hammerstein, being complimented in Philadelphia on the successful opening of his new opera house up town, shook his head modestly.

"Did any one," he said, "ever succeed—really and perfectly succeed—to his own satisfaction?" The older I grow the more I sympathize with Gounod.

"As your talent progresses," said Gounod to a young poet, "your estimate of the master poets of the past will change as has my estimate of the master musicians."

"At your age I used to say: 'I.' At 30 I said: 'I and Mozart.' At 40: 'Mozart and I.' I say 'Mozart' now."

A Cause for Thanks.

When the burglar had bound the artist and put him in a chair he searched his studio.

"I don't see anything worth taking," he said by and by, "but this suit of clothes."

"Thank goodness!" sighed the artist, "it's not paid for."

NOT AN UNPARDONABLE ERROR.

Military Title Led to Purser's Unfortunate Assignment of Berths.

"As I entered the stateroom assigned to me on one of the coastwise steamers on my last trip south, I was startled to find the lower berth littered with feminine apparel," said a commercial traveler. "I immediately sought out the purser of the boat and told him he must have made some mistake in allotting the rooms, as the persons he had put in mine was undoubtedly a woman, if I might judge by her belongings."

"Well! well!" he exclaimed, much excited. "There must be some mistake. Let's look at the passenger list."

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"But," objected the officer, "I have assigned this room to Maj. White. Have I the pleasure of speaking to his wife?"

"No, sir," was the prompt reply. "I am Maj. White—Maj. White of the Salvation Army."

BREAKING BAD NEWS GENTLY.

Matter of Relative Values As Understood in Holstein.

"In the province of Holstein," says a traveler who spends a good deal of his time abroad, "where, of course, nothing is more important than the breeding of superior cattle, the country people are not only very thrifty, but exceedingly fond of their cows, as may be gathered from a characteristic story current there."

"It appears that one farmer was walking sadly down the road one day when the village pastor met him."

"Why so downcast, friend?" asked the pastor.

"I have a sad errand, pastor," replied the farmer. "Farmer Henrich's cow is dead in my pasture, and I am on my way to tell him."

"A hard task, indeed."

"You may well say so, pastor; but I shall break it to him gently."

"And how will you do that?"

"Oh, I shall tell him first that it is his father who is dead; and then, having opened the way for sadder news still, I shall tell him that it is not his father, but the cow!"—Harper's Weekly.

23:15 O'Clock.

A New York manufacturing concern in which only one-half of the employees work in the daytime has a 24-hour clock in the timekeeper's office, by which the work record is noted. The business day begins at one o'clock in the morning, and when other clocks indicate midnight this factory time-piece shows that it is 24 o'clock. The men who go to work at the time ordinarily known as six p. m. are recorded as having started at 15 o'clock. The people in charge of the work say that this change in the timekeeping method has prevented many errors, and although it took the men a little while to become accustomed to it they now speak of 14 and 16 o'clock in a matter-of-fact way and without the smile which at first the strange figures provoked.

Relief for Toothache.

If the tooth has a cavity use liquid ammonia. Spray from medicine dropper directly into the cavity. Be very sure and not touch the tender gum. If there is an ulcerated root prepare a poultice of flaxseed meal, mixed with water. But in a small vessel and apply to the gum, covering the swelling. Spread on small pieces of linen no larger than the end of the finger, fold one thickness over the poultice. Renew just as fast as they cool. This will soften the ulceration and cause it to break in a short time. Have a second party prepare the poultice, if possible, as it must be done quickly. Keep hot water bottle outside of bandage.

First Presbyterian Church.

Services every Sunday morning at 11 and evening at 7:30. Rev. W. T. Ahrenbeck, pastor.

Sunday School at 9:45 a. m.

J. T. Higgins, superintendent. Prayer-meeting every Wednesday evening at 7:30. Ladies Aid Society meets every other Wednesday.

Christian Church.

Services Sunday morning at 11 and Sunday evening at 7:30. Rev. C. E. Smoot, pastor.

Sunday School at 10 a. m.

L. T. Waiters, superintendent.

Ladies Aid meets first and third

Wednesdays and C. W. B. M. first

Thursday in each month. Prayer-meeting every Wednesday evening at 7:30.

First Presbyterian Church.

Services Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and Sunday evening at 7:30. Rev. W. T. Ahrenbeck, pastor.

Sunday School at 9:45 a. m.

J. T. Higgins, superintendent. Prayer-meeting every Wednesday evening at 7:30. Ladies Aid Society meets every other Wednesday.

First Methodist Church.

Services Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and Sunday evening at 7:30. Rev. W. M. Wilson, pastor.

Sunday School every Sunday morn-

ing at 10 o'clock. T. F. Pierce, super-

intendent. Prayer-meeting every

Wednesday evening at 7:30. Senior</p